

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

LICENSE NUMBER: L247-50386

POLICE FILE NUMBER: 13347

DATE OF APPLICATION: December 4, 2012

INSPECTOR: Greg Buenning

APPLICANT/LEGAL ENTITY: Lowry Hills Café, Inc.

DBA/TRADE NAME: French Meadow Bakery and Cafe

COMPLETE ADDRESS: 2610 Lyndale Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

LICENSE REQUESTED: Permanent Expansion of Premises

CURRENT LICENSE: Class "E" On-Sale Wine with Strong Beer

PURPOSE OF APPLICATION: The applicant seeks approval for a license to permanently expand their premises by adding 84 additional indoor seats, including 18 bar seats, and adding 12 seats to their private outdoor patio area.

RESPONSIBLE PERSON WITHIN 75 MILES OF MINNEAPOLIS CITY HALL: Yes

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT: A public hearing is required

NEIGHBORHOOD/WARD: Lowry Hills East/Ward Ten

ZONING: C4

7 ACRE REQUIREMENT: Met

OFF-STREET PARKING: Minneapolis Zoning does not require this business to add additional off-street parking spaces. They do require the business to install four bicycle stalls. The applicant has indicated they will install 12 new bicycle racks which can accommodate 24 total bicycles.

SEATING: Interior: 160 (84 new) Outdoor Private Patio: 48 (12 new)

FIRE OCCUPANCY: 222

FOOD SERVICE REQUIREMENT: 60/40

HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: INSIDE: 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. daily
OUTSIDE: 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. daily

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES: \$28,380.00/Paid

HISTORY OF LOCATION

This location has been home to French Meadow Bakery and Café since 1992. There are no previous business licenses affiliated with this address.

APPLICANT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>
Lynn Gordon	President	50%
Steven Shapiro	Vice President	50%

POLICE REVIEW

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture. The applicant has also passed a criminal background check.

PREMISES

The applicant is requesting to permanently expand the interior seating to 160 by adding 84 seats inside, including the addition of a bar area which will seat 18 patrons. The new area will add 2,700 square feet to the building bringing the total square footage to 4,200 square feet from the existing 1,500 square feet. The sidewalk café will remain the same.

BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS

French Meadow Bakery and Café will continue operating as a restaurant, offering breakfast, lunch, and dinner to their patrons. with operating hours of 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. daily.

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

A public hearing is required for this application. 331 public hearing notices were mailed out to residents and property owners, and 31 multi-family residences were posted within 600 feet of the premises, and e-mailed to the Lowry Hills East Neighborhood Association on December 24, 2012. Business Licensing received no responses to the public hearing notices that were sent out. A public hearing was held on January 3, 2013, at Jefferson Elementary School, 1200 26th Street West. Nine people attended the public hearing. The only concern brought forward at the public hearing was that there weren't enough off-street parking spaces available to support the expansion.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division make the following recommendation for the application for French Meadow Bakery and Cafe. The license application for a permanent expansion of premises is recommended for approval.